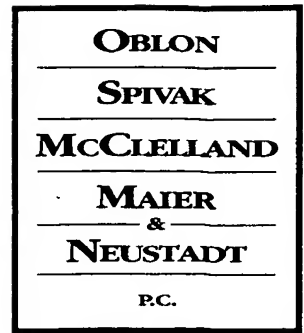




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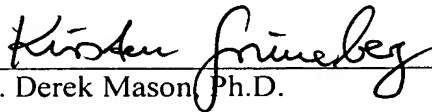
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**Letter to PTO; Amendment and Request for Reconsideration filed May 31, 2006**

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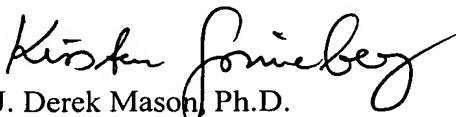
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In response to the communication dated August 7, 2006, Applicants resubmit herewith the Amendment and Request for Reconsideration filed May 31, 2006. A paragraph regarding the provisional double patenting rejection was included at page 16 of the Amendment and Request for Reconsideration.

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